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The UN Human Rights Council gives the right to water and sanitation the same legal status as all other human rights.

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A LANDMARK DECISION TO MAKE THE RIGHT TO WATER AND SANITATION LEGALLY BINDING

The UN Human Rights Council takes a decision which gives legal standing to the right to water and sanitation. It is a step of historical significance implying that access to water and sanitation is explicitly protected by human rights law.

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